IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Bryan D. Skene et al.

Application No.: 09/788,281

Confirmation No.: 5298

Filed: February 16, 2001

Art Unit: 2141

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR BALANCING LOAD DISTRIBUTION ON A WIDE AREA NETWORK Examiner: K. D. Shingles

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 31, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.